

STATE OF WISCONSIN

CIRCUIT COURT

FOND DU LAC COUNTY

In re the matter of:

PARENTING PLAN AGREEMENT

Petitioner (Joint Petitioner)

And

CASE NO. _____

Respondent (Joint Petitioner)

INTRODUCTION

We are submitting this plan to the Court now because we have been able to agree on the custody and physical placement arrangements for our child(ren).

We understand that the purpose of this document is to provide specific information to the Court about our plan for raising our child(ren). This document also serves as an indication that we agree to make this plan work. We have carefully considered the attached Parenting Plan Agreement, and feel that it is in the best interest of our child(ren).

Please List only the biological or adopted children of **both** the parties stated above, not children from other relationships or marriages.

NAME OF CHILD

DATE OF BIRTH

We the undersigned hereby agree to the following Parenting Plan Agreement.

Petitioner Signature

Date

Respondent Signature

Date

Custody and Placement as agreed herein is hereby Ordered this ____ day of _____, 20__.

The Honorable Sally-Anne Danner
Family Court Commissioner

LEGAL CUSTODY

1. **What form of legal custody are you seeking - joint or sole?** "Legal custody" means the right to make major decisions about a child. Joint Legal Custody means both parents will make major decisions together. Sole Legal Custody means that only one parent will make major decisions.

_____ Joint Legal Custody

_____ Sole Legal Custody with mother

_____ Sole Legal Custody with father

If you are seeking Sole Legal Custody, you need to tell the Court **why**: _____

2. If you chose Joint Legal Custody, you may also choose one parent to make a "final decision" in the event that you and the other parent disagree upon a major decision. If you designate a specific parent below, that parent will make the "tie-breaking" decision, if ever needed.

_____ No Final Decision-Maker for any Major Decisions

_____ I want to designate a Final Decision-Maker, as follows:
(Please include why you are making this choice as well)

Education: _____

Choice of Child Care Providers: _____

Medical Care: _____

Extracurricular Activities: _____

Religion: _____

PHYSICAL PLACEMENT

1. **What placement schedule do you think is best for your child(ren)?** Placement means the amount of time the child(ren) spend with you and the other parent. In answering this question, the law requires that you consider the **school year, holidays and summertime**.

School Year Schedule: _____

Sample Month:

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT

Petitioner Initial & Date Here _____

Respondent Initial & Date Here _____

Summer Schedule: _____

Sample Month:

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT

Holidays: How do you propose to divide the holidays with the other parent? You may use the following chart by inserting the words "Mother," or "Father," in the appropriate column to designate the holidays for each parent. You may choose to alternate holidays or have the same holidays each year. You may use the "Specific Times" column to write when the holiday begins and ends. *See example.*

Holiday	Specific Times	Odd Years (2005, etc.)	Even Years (2004, etc.)
<i>Example:</i> <i>Easter</i>	<i>8:00 am - 8:00 pm</i>	<i>Mother</i>	<i>Father</i>
Easter			
Mother's Day			
Memorial Day			
Father's Day			
4th of July			
Labor Day			
Trick or Treat			
Thanksgiving			
Christmas Eve			
Christmas Day			
New Year's Eve			
New Year's Day			
Birthdays			

You may insert alternate holidays in the chart above if needed.

Petitioner Initial & Date Here _____

Respondent Initial & Date Here _____

Additional Holiday Explanation or Information: _____

Vacation: How much vacation would you like with your children each year, how much notice should be given for vacation, what is the maximum length of time the children may be on vacation?

2. How will your children communicate with the other parent when they are placed with you (i.e. telephone contact)? _____

TRANSPORTATION

1. How will the child(ren) be transported to and from each parent's house?

_____ We will share the transportation responsibility.

_____ I will be responsible for all transportation of the children.

_____ The other parent will be responsible for all transportation of the children.

2. If you intend to share the transportation responsibilities, how do you propose to divide this responsibility (i.e. meet halfway, parent with placement picks up, meet in a neutral place, etc.)?

3. If you are a victim of **domestic violence**, or you know that you have a domestic violence order, restraining order or other criminal court order that limits your ability to contact or see the child's other parent, please tell the Court how you propose to safely transfer the children between you and the other parent for placement purposes (i.e. meet at a neutral place). _____

OTHER ISSUES

1. Who will provide childcare, if it is necessary? _____

2. Where will the child(ren) go to school? _____

3. Who will provide the following medical services to the child(ren):

A. DOCTOR/PEDIATRICIAN/CLINIC _____

B. OPTOMETRIST/EYE _____

C. DENTIST/ORTHODONTIST _____

D. COUNSELING/THERAPY _____

4. What will the child's religious commitment be, if any? (The Court will not favor any parent on the basis of religion. The purpose of this question is to determine whether there is a serious disagreement about religious issues. You are not required to have a religious preference.) _____

Petitioner Initial & Date Here _____

Respondent Initial & Date Here _____

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

How will your plan for education, medical care and child care be financed? Specifically, how much do you expect these services to cost, and who will pay those costs? The purpose of this question is to determine whether your plan is financially realistic.

CHILD CARE:

EDUCATION: (Tuition, Fees, Lunch, Field Trips, etc.)

MEDICAL TREATMENT: (Who carries insurance? Who will pay uninsured expenses? Etc.)

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES: (Fees for activities, sporting gear, etc.)

OTHER COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH RAISING YOUR CHILDREN: (Driver's Education, Tutoring, etc.)

SUPPORT PAYMENTS

The law requires that child support, family support, maintenance or other income transfers be addressed in the Plan. Child support payments benefit child(ren). Maintenance payments benefit a spouse. Family support includes both child support and maintenance obligations and is seldom used. The law requires the Court to determine child support by using the percentage standards to establish a set dollar amount. Support orders should be expressed as a fixed sum.

Additional Information about Child Support is available online at: <http://www.dwd.state.wi.us/bcs/>.
You may also contact your local child support agency or your attorney for more information.

Applying the above factors what amount of child support and/or maintenance do you believe is fair?
Express your answers as weekly, bi-weekly, semi-monthly or monthly and explain why.

Child Support: _____

Maintenance: _____

Explanation: _____

Petitioner Initial & Date Here _____

Respondent Initial & Date Here _____

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

IMPORTANT NOTE: The next three questions require very specific information about your address and your workplace. **If you have been the victim of domestic abuse or threats of domestic abuse by the other parent, or you have been the victim of inter-spousal battery by the other parent, you may choose not to answer these questions.** If you are uncertain about whether your situation fits this exception, contact your local domestic violence agency. If you already have a domestic violence injunction or if there is some criminal court proceeding involving you and the child's other parent, it would be helpful if you would attach a copy of that document to this Proposed Parenting Plan.

1. Where do you live now? _____

2. Will you relocate soon? _____ Yes _____ No _____ Not Sure

If you know the address of your new residence, please provide it here:

3. Where do you work and what are your days and hours of employment? If you anticipate any changes in the near future, please tell the Court now.

Employer: _____

Work Schedule: _____

Other Employment Information: _____

DISAGREEMENT

1. How will you settle disagreements that may arise with the other parent regarding the parenting plan (i.e. apply for mediation)? _____

This completes the parenting plan initially required by the law under sec. 767.24(1m) or sec. 767.325(6m). If the court has questions about this plan, I request the opportunity to answer those questions before the court makes a final determination regarding custody or placement.

Petitioner Initial & Date Here _____
Respondent Initial & Date Here _____